

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the Title with the following replacement Title: --FUEL INJECTOR NOZZLE SEAL--.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 7 of the Specification with the following replacement paragraph:  
--Figure 7 shows a sixth example embodiment of a fuel injector 1 configured according to the present invention. Here, as in the example embodiment shown in Figure 6, seal 10 may have the same sectional design as seals 10 illustrated in Figures 2 through 5, the corrugated tube design having been chosen in Figure 7 as well. Seal 10 has a cover plate 14 on a discharge-side end 13, into which the spray-discharge orifices 17 may be worked directly. Cover plate 14 also assumes the function of a heat shield and protects the discharge-side end of fuel injector 1 from the temperature prevailing in the combustion chamber.--.